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Bussey Point primitive weapon deer hunts scheduled

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA – The <u>U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' Thurmond Project</u> Office will host primitive weapon deer hunts in Bussey Point, located in Lincoln Co., Ga., on select dates from Sept. through November. The 2,545-acre peninsula will be open for scheduled hunts on these dates:

Dates
Sept. 17-18
Oct. 8
Oct. 9
Nov. 12-13

Hunts
Archery (ONLY)
Archery (ONLY)
Muzzleloader
Muzzleloader

The annual hunts are held in order to maintain the deer population within the carrying capacity for the area and to improve the quality of the herd.

Hunters will be checked through the check station located at the entrance gate. Hours of operation will be from one hour before sunrise through one hour after sundown. Camping will be limited to the camping area adjacent to check station during the management hunts.

The bag limit is two does and one quality buck each day of each hunt. Quality bucks are those with racks having four points or better on at least one side, or a 15-inch or greater outside spread.

Muzzleloader hunts are limited to 100 hunters per day. Muzzleloader hunters will be registered on a first-come, first-served basis. Archery hunters are invited to participate in all scheduled hunts.

Hunters must be licensed in accordance with current Georgia Game and Fish Regulations. A Wildlife Management Area (WMA) license is not required for these hunts. Appropriate licenses(s) will be inspected at check station. All state regulations and bag limits will be strictly enforced.

Park visitors who are not hunting are encouraged to find other recreation areas during the scheduled hunts. The area will also be closed two days prior to each hunt except to hunters scouting or placing deer stands. No weapons are allowed in Bussey Point on scouting days.

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